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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *March* 28, 1754.

The Concluſion of Major WASHINGTON's *Journal, begun in our laſt.*

Wedneſday, December 12th, 1753.

I PREPAR'D early to wait upon the Commander, and was received and conducted to him by the ſecond Officer in Command; I acquainted him with my Buſineſs, and offer'd my Commiſſion and Letter, both of which he deſired me to keep 'til the Arrival of Monſieur *Riparti*, Captain at the next Fort, who was ſent for and expected every Hour.

This Commander is a Knight of the military Order of St. *Lewis*, and named *Legardeur de St. Piere*. He is an elderly Gentleman, and has much the Air of a Soldier; he was ſent over to take the Command, immediately upon the Death of the late General, and arrived here about ſeven Days before me.

At 2 o'Clock the Gentleman that was ſent for arrived, when I offer'd the Letter, *&c.* again; which they receiv'd, and adjourn'd into a private Apartment for the Captain to tranſlate, who underſtood a little *Engliſh*; after he had done it, the Commander deſired I would walk in, and bring my Interpreter to peruſe and correct it, which I did.

13*th*, The chief Officers retired, to hold a Council of War, which gave me an Opportunity of taking the Dimenſions of the Fort, and making what Obſervations I could.

It is ſituated on the South, or Weſt Fork of *French* Creek, near the Water, and is almoſt ſurrounded by the Creek, and a ſmall Branch of it which forms a Kind of an Iſland; four Houſes compoſe the Sides; the Baſtions are made of Piles driven into the Ground, and about 12 Feet above, and ſharp at Top, with Port-Holes cut for Cannon and Loop-Holes for the ſmall Arms to fire through; there are eight 6 lb. Pieces mounted, two in each Baſtion, and one Piece of four Pound before the Gate; in the Baſtions are a Guard Houſe, Chapel, Doctor's Lodging, and the Commander's private Store, round which are laid Plat-Forms for the Cannon and Men to ſtand on: There are ſeveral Barracks without the Fort, for the Soldiers Dwelling, covered, ſome with Bark, and ſome with Boards, and made chiefly of Logs: There are alſo ſeveral other Houſes, ſuch as Stables, Smith's Shop, *&c.*

I could get no certain Account of the Number of Men here; but according to the beſt Judgment I could form, there are an Hundred excluſive of Officers, of which there are many. I alſo gave Orders to the People that were with me, to take an exact Account of the Canoes that were hauled up to convey their Forces down in the Spring, which they did, and told 50 of Birch Bark, and 170 of Pine, beſides many others that were block'd out, in Readineſs to make.

14*th*, As the Snow increaſed very faſt, and our Horſes daily became weaker, I ſent them off unloaded, under the Care of *Barnaby Currin* and two others, to make all convenient Diſpatch to *Venango*, and there wait our Arrival if there was a Proſpect of the Rivers freezing, if not, then to continue down to *Shannapin*'s Town, at the Forks of *Ohio*, and there to wait 'til we came to croſs *Aliguny*, intending myſelf to go down by Water, as I had the Offer of a Canoe or Two.

As I found many Plots concerted to retard the *Indians* Buſineſs, and prevent their returning with me; I endeavour'd all that lay in my Power to fruſtrate their Schemes, and hurry them on to execute their intended Deſign; they accordingly preſſed for Admittance this Evening, which at Length was granted them, privately, with the Commander and one or two other Officers: The Half-King told me, that he offer'd the Wampum to the Commander, who evaded taking it, and made many fair Promiſes of Love and Friendſhip; ſaid he wanted to live in Peace, and trade amicably with them, as a Proof of which he would ſend ſome Goods immediately down to the *Loggs* Town for them; but I rather think the Deſign of that is, to bring away all our ſtraggling Traders they meet with, as I privately underſtood they intended to carry an Officer, *&c.* with them; and what rather confirms this Opinion, I was enquiring of the Commander, by what Authority he had made Priſoners of ſeveral of our *Engliſh* Subjects; he told me that the Country belong'd to them, that no *Engliſhman* had a Right to trade upon thoſe Waters; and that he had Orders to make every Perſon Priſoner that attempted it on the *Ohio*, or the Waters of it.

I enquir'd of Capt. *Riparti* about the Boy that was carried by, as it was done while the Command devolved on him, between the Death of the late General, and the Arrival of the preſent; he acknowleged, that a Boy had been carried paſt, and that the *Indians* had two or three white Mens Scalps, (I was told by ſome of the *Indians* at *Venango* Eight) but pretended to have forgot the Name of the Place that the Boy came from, and all the Particulars, though he queſtion'd him for ſome Hours, as they were carrying him paſt: I likewiſe enquired what they had done with *John Trotter* and *James MacClocklan*, two *Pennſylvania* Traders, whom they had taken, with all their Goods: They told me, that they had been ſent to *Canada*, but were now returned Home.

This Evening I received an Anſwer to his Honour the Governor's Letter from the Commandant.

13*th*, The Commandant ordered a plentiful Store of Liquor, Proviſion, *&c.* to be put on board our Canoe, and appeared to be extremely complaiſant, though he was exerting every Artifice that he could invent to ſet our own *Indians* at Variance with us, to prevent their going 'til after our Departure: Preſents, Rewards, and every Thing that could be ſuggeſted by him or his Officers —— I can't ſay that ever in my Life I ſuffer'd ſo much Anxiety as I did in this Affair; I ſaw that every Stratagem that the moſt fruitful Brain could invent, was practiſed, to win the Half King to their Intereſt, and that leaving Him here was giving them the Opportunity they aimed at.——I went to the Half-King, and preſs'd him in the ſtrongeſt Terms to go: He told me the Commandant would not diſcharge him 'til the Morning. I then went to the Commandant, and deſired him to do their Buſineſs, and complain'd of ill Treatment; for keeping them, as they were Part of my Company, was detaining me; which he promiſed not to do, but to forward my Journey as much as he could: He proteſted he did not keep them, but was ignorant of the Cauſe of their Stay; though I ſoon found it out:——He had promiſed them a Preſent of Guns, *&c.* if they would wait 'til the Morning.

As I was very much preſs'd, by the *Indians*, to wait this Day for them, I conſented, on a Promiſe, That nothing ſhould hinder them in the Morning.

16*th*, The *French* were not ſlack in their Inventions to keep the *Indians* this Day alſo; but as they were obligated, according to Promiſe, to give the Preſent, they then endeavoured to try the Power of Liquor, which I doubt not would have prevailed at any other Time than this, but I urged and inſiſted with the King ſo cloſely upon his Word, that he refrained, and ſet off with us as he had engaged.

We had a tedious and very fatiguing Paſſage down the Creek, ſeveral Times we had like to have been ſtaved againſt Rocks, and many Times were obliged all Hands to get out and remain in the Water Half an Hour or more, getting over the Shoals; at one Place the Ice had lodged and made it impaſſable by Water; therefore we were obliged to carry our Canoe acroſs a Neck of Land, a Quarter of a Mile over. We did not reach *Venango*, till the 22d, where we met with our Horſes.

This Creek is extremely crooked, I dare ſay the Diſtance between the Fort and *Venango* can't be leſs than 130 Miles, to follow the Meanders.

23*d*, When I got Things ready to ſet off, I ſent for the Half King, to know whether he intended to go with us, or by Water, he told me that *White-Thunder* had hurt himſelf much, and was ſick and unable to walk, therefore he was obliged to carry him down in a Canoe: As I found he intended to ſtay here a Day or two, and knew that Monſieur *Joncaire* would employ every Scheme to ſet him againſt the *Engliſh* as he had before done; I told him I hoped he would guard againſt his Flattery, and let no fine Speeches influence him in their Favour: He deſired I might not be concerned, for he knew the *French* too well, for any Thing to engage him in their Behalf; and though he could not go down with us, he would endeavour to meet at the Forks with *Joſeph Campbell*, to deliver a Speech for me to carry to his Honour the Governor. He told me he would order the young Hunter to attend us, and get Proviſion, *&c.* if wanted.

Our Horſes were now ſo weak and feeble, and the Baggage heavy, as we were obliged to provide all the Neceſſaries that the Journey would require; that we doubted much their performing it; therefore myſelf and others (except the Drivers which were obliged to ride) gave up our Horſes for Packs, to aſſiſt along with the Baggage; I put myſelf in an *Indian* Dreſs, and continued with them three Days, till I found there was no Probability of their getting in, in any reaſonable Time; the Horſes grew leſs able to travel every Day; the Cold increaſed very faſt, and the Roads were becoming much worſe by a deep Snow, continually freezing; and as I was uneaſy to get back, to make Report of my Proceedings to his Honour the Governor, I determined to proſecute my Journey the neareſt Way through the Woods, on Foot.

Accordingly I left Mr. *Van Braam* in Charge of our Baggage, with Money and Directions, to provide Neceſſaries from Place to Place for themſelves and Horſes, and to make the moſt convenient Diſpatch in.

I took my neceſſary Papers, pulled off my Cloaths, tied myſelf up in a Match Coat, and with my Pack at my Back with my Papers and Proviſions in it, and a Gun, ſet out with Mr. *Giſt*, fitted in the ſame Manner, on *Wedneſday* the 26th. The Day following, juſt after we had paſſed a Place called the *Murdering Town*, where we intended to quit the Path, and ſteer acroſs the Country for *Shannapins Town*, we fell in with a Party of *French Indians*, who had lain in Wait for us; one of them fired at Mr. *Giſt* or me, not 15 Steps, but fortunately miſſed. We took this Fellow into Cuſtody, and kept him till about 9 o'Clock at Night, and then let him go, and walked all the remaining Part of the Night without making any Stop, that we might get the Start ſo far, as to be out of the Reach of their Purſuit the next Day, as we were well aſſured they would follow our Track as ſoon as it was light: The next Day we continued travelling till quite dark, and got to the River about 2 Miles above *Shannapins*; we expected to have found the River frozen, but it was not, only about 50 Yards from each Shore; the Ice I ſuppoſe had broke up above, for it was driving in vaſt Quantities.

There was no Way for getting over but on a Raft, which we ſet about, with but one poor Hatchet, and got finiſhed juſt after Sun ſetting, after a whole Day's Work; we got it launched, and on board of it, and ſet off; but before we were half Way over, we were jammed in the Ice in ſuch a Manner that we expected every Moment our Raft to ſink, and ourſelves to periſh; I put out my ſetting Pole to try to ſtop the Raft, that the Ice might paſs by, when the Rapidity of the Stream threw it with ſo much Violence againſt the Pole, that it jirked me out into 10 Feet Water, but I fortunately ſaved myſelf by catching hold of one of the

the Raft Logs; notwithstanding all our Efforts we could not get the Raft to either Shore, but were obliged, as we were near an Island, to quit our Raft and make to it.

The Cold was so extremely severe, that Mr. *Gist* had all his Fingers, and some of his Toes frozen, and the Water was shut up so hard, that we found no Difficulty in getting off the Island on the Ice in the Morning, and went to Mr. *Frazier*'s. We met here with 20 Warriors, who were going to the Southward to War, but coming to a Place upon the Head of the great *Cunnaway*, where they found 7 People killed and scalped, all but one Woman with very light Hair, they turned about and ran back, for Fear the Inhabitants should rise and take them as the Authors of the Murder: They report that the People were lying about the House, and some of them much torn and eaten by Hogs: By the Marks that were left, they say they were *French Indians* of the *Ottoway* Nation, &c. that did it.

As we intended to take Horses here, and it required some Time to find them, I went up about 3 Miles to the Mouth of *Yaughyaughgane* to visit Queen *Alliquippa*, who had expressed great Concern that we passed her in going to the Fort. I made her a Present of a Match Coat and a Bottle of Rum, which latter was thought much the best Present of the two.

Tuesday the 1st Day of *January*, we left Mr. *Frazier*'s House, and arrived at Mr. *Gist*'s at *Monongahela* the 2d, where I bought Horse, Saddle, &c. The 6th we met 17 Horses loaded with Materials and Stores for a Fort at the Forks of *Ohio*, and the Day after some Families going out to settle: This Day we arrived at *Wills* Creek, after as fatiguing a Journey as it is possible to conceive, rendered so by excessive bad Weather: From the first Day of *December* to the 15th, there was but one Day but it rained or snowed incessantly; and throughout the whole Journey we met with nothing but one continued Series of cold wet Weather, which occasioned very uncomfortable Lodgings, especially after we had left our Tent, which was some Screen from the Inclemency of it.

On the 11th I got to *Belvoir* where I stopped one Day to take necessary Rest, and then set out, and arrived in *Williamsburg* the 16th, and waited upon his Honour the Governor with the Letter I had brought from the *French* Commandant, and to give an Account of the Proceedings of my Journey, which I beg Leave to do by offering the foregoing, as it contains the most remarkable Occurrences that happened to me.

I hope it will be sufficient to satisfy your Honour with my Proceedings; for that was my Aim in undertaking the Journey, and chief Study through out the Prosecution of it.

With the Hope of doing it, I, with infinite Pleasure, subscribe myself,

Your Honour's most Obedient,

And very humble Servant,

G. WASHINGTON.

COPY of the Governor of *Virginia*'s Letter to the Commandant of the *French* Forces on the *OHIO*.

SIR,

THE Lands upon the River Ohio, *in the Western Parts of the Colony of* Virginia, *are so notoriously known to be the Property of the Crown of* Great Britain, *that it is a Matter of equal Concern and Surprize to me, to hear that a Body of* French *Forces are erecting Fortresses, and making Settlements upon that River, within his Majesty's Dominions.*

The many and repeated Complaints I have received of these Acts of Hostility, lay me under the Necessity of sending, in the Name of the King my Master, the Bearer hereof, George Washington, *Esq; one of the Adjutants General of the Forces of this Dominion, to complain to you of the Encroachments thus made, and of the Injuries done to the Subjects of* Great Britain, *in open Violation of the Law of Nations, and the Treaties now subsisting between the two Crowns.*

If these Facts are true, and you shall think fit to justify your Proceedings, I must desire you to acquaint me, by whose Authority and Instructions you have lately marched from Canada, *with an armed Force, and invaded the King of* Great Britain's *Territories, in the Manner complained of; that according to the Purport and Resolution of your Answer, I may act agreeably to the Commission I am honoured with, from the King my Master.*

However, Sir, in Obedience to my Instructions, it becomes my Duty to require your peaceable Departure; and that you would forbear prosecuting a Purpose so interruptive of the Harmony and good Understanding, which his Majesty is desirous to maintain and cultivate with the most Christian King.

I persuade myself you will receive and entertain Major Washington *with the Candour and Politeness natural to your Nation; and it will give me the greatest Satisfaction, if you return him with an Answer suitable to my Wishes for a very long and lasting Peace between us.*

I have the Honour to subscribe myself,

SIR,

Your most Obedient,

Humble Servant,

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

Williamsburg, *in* Virginia, October 31*st*, 1753.

[*The Answer to this Letter, from the* French *Officer, the Reader has already had, in our* Gazette N°. 461.]

BOSTON, January 31.

AFTER a Spell of moderate Weather the Beginning of last Week, there suddenly came on very high and heavy Winds, first at about West, and then more Northerly, and extreme Cold, which lasted all Monday Night and the Day following; most of the fishing Boats of this Town, being out in the Bay, when the Weather alter'd, it was with great Difficulty that some of them got back into the Harbour. One of the said Boats ran upon George's Island, the Skipper whereof, named Burt, and another Man, named Perryway, were both froze to Death, the former has left a Widow and five Children. Two other Men belonging to the Boat, got into a House and saved their Lives; another of the said fishing Boats endeavouring to get in, and being within a little Distance from the Light House, had her Sails blown to Pieces, and was then driven before the Wind all Night, and the next Morning the Men found themselves at a Place called Nobscusset, on Cape Cod, where they got safe ashore, and two of them came to Town by Land last Saturday Night. Also a Lighter from Weymouth loaded with Wood, meeting the Gale, came to an Anchor near the Castle; but by the Violence of the Wind, she was drove from her Anchor, and ran ashore near Hangman's Island, where she soon after sunk; the Skipper named Nash, and his Negro Man got on the Island into a small Hut, and sav'd their Lives, but continuing without Food or Fire till Wednesday Morning, when they were taken off, they were almost Spent; two young Men of this Town, the one named Barnard, the other Loring, with another belonging to Weymouth, perish'd in the Boat. Two of our fishing Boats that were seen in the Bay just before the Weather alter'd, having five Men in each, being yet missing, 'tis fear'd they are lost.

We hear that a Brig and a Schooner are ashore on Cape Cod, and that the Brig has lost three of her Hands.

We hear also from Newbury, that one Mr. Flood, was froze to Death.

A Vessel which arrived here last Friday from Halifax, brings an Account of an Insurrection which happen'd at Lunenburg, formerly called Marlagash, settled last Summer by a Number of English and Germans from Halifax; some of the Particulars of which Insurrection we have in the following Extracts of two Letters from a Gentleman that was on the Spot a few Days after it happen'd, to one in this Town, viz.

Lunenburg, January 2, 1754.

"The Monday after I left Boston, we put in here:——I was agreeably surpriz'd to find my Friend Col. Monckton here: A Tumult of the Germanic Body, occasion'd his visiting Lunenburg with a Party of 200 Men.——He stays here 'til he can trace the Riot to its Source:——He is now busy in taking Examination, committing those inform'd against, &c.——This Disturbance was created by a Letter feign'd to be receiv'd by one Peterkin here, from a Brother of his in London; in which Letter they say, was a particular Account of the generous Allowance of Parliament to the Germans, viz. All Materials to build with, Cloathing, Fishing Tackle, better Provisions, and Three Shillings a Day. The Contents of this suppos'd Letter were diffused thro' the whole: The Inhabitants, of course, if they gave Credit to it, would take some Means to enjoy those Advantages; the first Step they took was to demand a Sight of the Letter.——Peterkin could not produce it to them; then they torture'd him to know what became of it; in his Tortures he swore he gave it to Mr. Zouberbuhler; and that he swore him to Secrecy to deny he had ever receiv'd such a Letter.——They all flew to Arms the Seventeenth at Night;——Zouberbuhler got a Hint that they intended to Sacrifice him, and he fled to the Fort; They demanded him to be deliver'd to them, threaten'd to destroy the Forts and Storehouses, and put all the English to Death; they fir'd upon a Log House in which was a Corporal's Guard; the Corporal return'd it, and wounded two of them:——As the Troops in the Forts were an insignificant Number, compar'd with them, who were Five Hundred fighting Men, they could not venture to use any Force to suppress them. Capt. Sutherland sent one of his Officers at Night, to get aboard a little Vessel lying in the Harbour, she sail'd next Morning, and in a few Hours got to Halifax. Col. Lawrence with extraordinary Dispatch sent them Succours; for tho' Rogers, and Taggart were both unrigg'd and hawl'd up, yet they were made ready, and brought Col. Monckton here, with two Hundred Men in four Days after the first Notice. The Germans swore they would not suffer a Man to Land. The Col. order'd the Masters of the Vessels, to have their Carriage Guns and Swivels in Order, and under cover of these he landed. The Germans very prudently declin'd Opposition. He has stripp'd them all of their Arms, and will leave a Part of those Troops he brought with him to protect them from the common Enemy. He has committed several of the Leaders, who he will take to Halifax with him. The whole, I fancy, will be unravel'd by and by:——Col. Monckton tells me, the French have retir'd from Ohio."

P. S. Lunenburg, 8th January, 1754.

The Colonel by Dint of Perseverance has at last unravel'd this close lai: Piece of Villainy:——Mr. Hoffman is discovered to be the Author of the incendiary Letter.——He is now Prisoner on board Capt. Taggart, who carries him to Halifax, in order to take his Trial before the Governor and Council.——

Halifax, January 16, 1754.

"This Day I arrived with Col. Monckton from Lunenburg. I gave you an Account in a former Letter of the late Insurrection at Lunenburg: The Col. has humbled their rebellious Spirits; he has traced the Scheme through all its Meanders to the Source of Mischief Mr. Hoffman, who is now closely confin'd in the Provost here: The Evidences which Col. Monckton has this Day brought with him, and his own Letter to Mr. Webb, are sufficient to convict him, if the Law admits of it.——During my Stay at Lunenburg, I reconnitred the Country adjacent as far as Le Have and Mahone Bay. This last Place is on the East Side of Marlegash, and Le Have on the Western Side: There is almost a Communication with Lunenburg and Le Have by Water: The Distance over Land is not quite a Mile. Mahone Bay is perhaps one of the richest and most curious Places in North-America: There are in it One hundred and eighty Islands; which are all surrounded with a smooth and pleasant Beach: Each Island is a secure Harbour, and the Land of an excellent Nature; being cover'd chiefly with Oaks.——Had these insolent Wretches the Patience to consider the Means they have of becoming independent and comfortable, by applying themselves with a little Industry to the Cultivation of these Lands, which Nature has been so profuse in, that I am certain in a few Years this Settlement, would not be among the least considerable of America. I hear that the French Fort is tumbling to Pieces, our's has been new picked this Summer, and all the Earth Work repair'd; so that it is in a much better Condition than the French.—— Yours, &c."

Extract of a Letter from Newbury, *dated* Feb. 12, 1754.

"Last Saturday Evening, after having observ'd, for about an Hour, Lightning at some Distance from us to the N. W. and low Thunder, a little before Eight o'Clock, we had two very severe Claps, which seemed to proceed from a Cloud directly over our Heads in this Part of the Town where I live. The Lightning of the latter (which was presently upon the former) struck the Spire of our (Mr. Lowell's) Meeting House, cut it asunder at some considerable Distance from the Weather-Cock, shattered the remaining lower Part and Cupola very much, flew down into the Steeple, shiver'd the Foot of one of the Corner Posts, broke several Windows of it almost all to Pieces, and others in the Body of the Meeting House on one Side of the Steeple, damaged two or three Pews on the same Side, especially in the Gallery, but no great Injury is done to the House within. The Steeple had lately been repaired at a considerable Cost, which makes the Blow the heavier; but we would in this give Thanks, that no Life is lost, or any Person hurt. Some Houses near the Meeting-

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House sustained some Damage by their Windows being broke. We had in the midst of the Shower, Hail of the Bigness of Pistol Bullets, but little or no Wind."

By other Letters, and some Persons from Newbury, we learn, that the Clock in the Meeting-House received some Damage, the leaden Weights being partly melted, &c. and that the Town Stock of Gun Powder, which was kept in a Loft of the Meeting House, narrowly escaped being set on Fire, some of the Bullets, which lay very near the Powder, being melted by the Lightning.

And from Andover we hear, that the same Evening, about Eight o'Clock, they had at that Town a violent Tempest of Wind, with Rain, Hail, Thunder, and Lightning: The Wind was so exceeding high, that it blew off the Roof of a House entirely, and thereupon the Rain pour'd down so fast into the Rooms that the Inhabitants were obliged to leave it: Several Barns were also blown down, and Creatures therein kill'd: The Roof of the Rev. Mr. Phillips's Meeting House, about the third Part of it on the East and West Side, was forcibly raised to a considerable Distance from the Rafters; and the Glass of the Windows of Mr. Phillips's Dwelling House, much broken; and a great deal of other Damage done in the Town.

NEW YORK.

March 4. We learn by Capt. Duncan, of the Sloop Batchelor, of this Port, who arrived here last Thursday from Coracoa, but last from Jamaica in 28 Days, That on the 25th of December last, a smart Engagement happened off Wann's Keys on the Spanish Main, between a Coracoa Sloop and a Spanish Guarda Costa, in which the latter was soundly drubbed, and thought to have escaped by running ashore; but being closely pursued by the Coracoaers, they set her a fire; and all the Crew, which consisted of upwards of 120, (save five) that escaped in the Engagement, were either burnt on board, or drowned, in endeavouring to escape ashore. The Coracoa Man came off victorious, with the Loss of eight Men killed and wounded.

Last Week Capt. Edward Menzie arrived here from Rhode Island, by whom we have the following Particulars relating to his Misfortune, viz. He sailed from hence in a Brig in June 1752, bound for Honduras Bay, and on the last Day of February 1753, was taken off Key Bokell by a Spanish Brig of 12 Carriage, and 30 Swivel Guns, and carried into Port Mahoo, where he with many more Englishmen were confined on board a Vessel for six Months, and used in the most cruel and unchristian like Manner, being often Days together without either Meat or Drink; and the only Provisions they had given them was Carolina Pork, and so rotten, that by giving it one Shake, it would fall to Pieces from the Bone; sometimes Drink and no Victuals; and at other Times, Victuals and no Drink. During his Confinement, Capt. Kenneway in a Ship from Philadelphia, and Capt. Swan in a Sloop, were carried in there, both of which died, chiefly owing to their Want of the common Necessaries of Life. In their Sickness, they entreated the Governor for the Assistance of an English Physician then there; but their Answer was, *Let the Heretic Dogs die and be damn'd, and 'tis a Pity that all such Vermin were not cut off the Face of the Earth.* In a short Time after, a Brig from Jamaica arrived at Port Mahoo, when Capt. Menzie was set at Liberty, and took his Passage in her to the Musqueto Shore, where he was kindly received, and met with exceeding good Usage from Mr. Pitts, and the Rest of the Gentlemen of that Place; but not meeting with a Passage hither, according to Expectation, was unfortunately taken a second Time in his Way to the Bay, by one of the King of Spain's Gallies, in the Sloop Mary, Capt. Burger, of this Port, as has been already mentioned in this Paper; but the Spanish Captain commiserating his unhappy Fate, gave him and another Englishman, a small Craft, in which they got safe to the Bay, and from thence Capt. Menzie took his Passage with Capt. Mosley to Rhode Island.

PHILADELPHIA.

February 19. Last Week the Mayor's Court was held here, when a Number of Persons were indicted and convicted of Felony, and other Crimes. Eight Men were order'd to be whipt, three of which at the Cart's Tail, round two Squares; and Daniel Jeffron (one of the eight) besides being to be whipt twice (the Jury finding two Indictments against him, for uttering Counterfeit Maryland Ten Shilling Bills) was sentenced to stand one Hour in the Pillory, to have the Tip of his Right ear nail'd to it, and the Part nail'd cut off; which Punishment he suffer'd on Saturday last.

March 5. Capt. M'Clelland from Seville in Spain, (which he left the 3d of January), informs us, that War was to be declared by Spain against the Danes in a few Days after he came away.

We have Letters from Barbados which mention that War was actually declared between the Danes and Spaniards.

By Letters from London, dated the 18th of December, there is Advice, that the Report of the Algerines declaring War against England was entirely groundless.

March 12. By Captain Salter, of the Sloop Polly, of this Port, from the Coast of Africa (but last from Antigua) we have the following Account, and insert it as a Caution to all those who may have Occasion to trade there, that for the future they may be more upon their Guard, than they generally have been, while any of the Natives are on board their Vessels. The melancholy Affair is thus related, viz

" That Captain William Cawfield, in the Race-Horse, of London, being trading on the Coast last Fall, went into Sowsa River, and there purchased about Twenty eight Slaves: That having Business with the white Traders, he went ashore, and travelled to their Settlement, about eight Leagues from the Place where his Vessel lay: That on the 6th of October, about Four in the Morning, a Canoe came along Side of his Ship (while he was absent) and on being asked what their Business was, the Natives answered, they had a Slave to sell, and were then invited on board: That the Watch, not apprehensive of their barbarous Design, went to sleep some time after they had got into the Vessel; upon which they took the Advantage, and fell upon them with their Knives, Cutlasses, &c. and murdered eleven of the Crew, consisting of thirteen; the other two, with much Difficulty, getting into the Boat, in order to make their Escape; but one of them was so badly wounded, that he died soon after; and the other miraculously got ashore into the Woods, or rather dismal Swamps, where he must soon have perished, had not a Native seen him, who took him out of that miserable Situation, and sold him to the White Traders, at the Price they have for their own Slaves: That the Captain returned the next Day from the White Traders, and to his great Surprize, found his Vessel higher up than where he left her, and imagined something more than ordinary must have happened; whereupon Captain Salter, with some of the Traders, went with him to see what was the Matter, and to help him to get her down again to the Place where she was before; but, on their coming to the Ship, found her Cables had been cut, and that she had driven with the Flood Tide, 'til she ran ashore: That when they went on board, they found nothing but Blood and Brains on the Deck and Cabin Floor, and the Cheif Mate's Bed in Puddles of Blood, but not a Soul to be seen dead or alive; from which they concluded the Slaves they had on board had committed the horrid Deed, 'til they were better informed by the Man that escaped in the Boat. The Villains had plundered the Ship of every Thing, carrying the Slaves off with them, and left nothing but the Rigging and Sails, with which she was got safe to Serra Lion."

ANNAPOLIS.

A Gentleman in Virginia, *writes to one in this Town, in a Postscript to a Letter, dated* March 20, " *I have just now had certain Advice, that the* " *General Assembly of* North Carolina *have voted* " 7000 l. *on the present Occasion.*"

A Sloop of about 45 *Tons,* William Curtis, *Master, belonging to Mr.* Creagh, *sail'd from hence some Weeks ago, in order to load on the Eastern Shore; but we have an Account that the Crew, consisting of two White Men, and a Mulatto, have run away with the Vessel and Cargo, and 'tis supposed they have murdered the Master; one of the Men having been seen with the Master's Cloaths on. A Boat well mann'd and arm'd sailed from hence last Sunday in quest of them, but are not yet returned.*

The last Ships from England, *bring the melancholy Account of the Plague having broke out at* Rouen *in* France, *and that the City was surrounded by Troops to prevent it's spreading.*

Monday last one John Orrick, *having taken up one* John Oulton, *(a Convict Servant, who had run away from the* Baltimore *Iron Works, and bound him) after carrying him some Time, unbound him to let him eat, but the Villain having his Hands at Liberty, stabb'd Mr.* Orrick *in the Breast, and otherways wounded him, so that his Life was despair'd of, and then made off.*

Yesterday the Negro Fellow condemn'd at the last County Court for Horse Stealing, was executed at the Gallows. He had the Character of being a great Rogue; having been sold to six or seven different Masters in a few Months.

THE SLOOP *Hester*, WILLIAM MURRAY, Master, now bound for *Philadelphia*, and will return immediately to *Maryland*: For Freight apply to Mr. *Reese Meredith*, Merchant, in *Philadelphia*, Mr. *Charles Christie*, at *Joppa*, or *Anthony M'Culloch*, at *Queen' Town*.

WILLIAM ELTON,
PERUKE-MAKER,
Living near the Dock in Annapolis,

HAVING lately procured a very neat, skilful Hand, and vast Variety of the best of *English* HAIRS, will make WIGS of any Sorts, and at the cheapest Rates.

He also sells Cauls, Silk and Thread, for Wig-making; likewise Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Rock Indigo, *&c.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Absolom Butler*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a well-set small Bay Horse, branded on the near Buttock L, is shod before, and has a white Spot in his Forehead

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *William Pearce*, in *Baltimore Town*, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Mare, about 12 Hands high, neither dock'd nor branded, and is about two Years old.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

To be SOLD, by Public Vendue, in the Parade in Annapolis, *on the second Day of the Provincial Court in* May, *as soon as the Court adjourns, in the Afternoon,*

THREE Hundred and Twenty Nine Acres of Land, being a good Plantation, in *Baltimore* County, whereon is a good Dwelling House, Tobacco House, and an Orchard of 400 Apple Trees. The Plantation and Improvements are valued to be worth more than 200 *l.* Sterling, but will be set up at 115 *l.* and the Title indisputable. *Roger Randall.*

JOHN CAMPBELL,
TAYLOR,

REMOVED from his House, in Town, to his Plantation over *Severn*, hereby gives Notice to his Customers, that he carries on his Business, as usual, having good Hands for that purpose, and will Dispatch Work for his Customers who shall continue to Employ him. He attends in Town, Three Times a Week, and may be met with, either at Mr. *Dick's*, or Mr. *Swan's* Stores, or at his late Dwelling House.

To be RUN for,
On Monday the 15th of *April*,
(Being the Gift of his Excellency,)
AT *Talbot* County Court-House,
a Purse of TWENTY POUNDS, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, (who never then shall have won a Prize of above Seven Pounds,) carrying Nine Stone Weight, the best of Three Heats, each Heat to be Twice round the Poles on the Race-Ground; to rub Half an Hour between each Heat. The Horses, *&c.* to be entered with M. *Josiah Coleman*, living at *Talbot* Court-House, on Saturday the 13th, each paying Twenty Shillings Entrance.

Such Rules and Orders are to be observed, as are usual on those Occasions; and if any Disputes should arise, they are to be determined by Gentlemen appointed for that Purpose, before starting; and if the 15th should be a rainy Day, the Prize to be run for on the first fair Day after.

LOST,

THE first Volume of, *The History of a Foundling*, by *Henry Fielding*, Esq; plain Bound, without any Titling. Whoever brings it to the Printer hereof, shall have Five Shillings Reward.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Dorchester* County, on the 23d of *February* last, a Servant Man, named *William Northwood*, an *Englishman*, about 5 Feet and a half high, aged 31 Years, of a brown Complexion, wears his own Hair, has dark Eyes, and by Trade a Sawyer. Had on and took with him a blue Fearnothing Pea Jacket, a double breasted white Cotton short Jacket, without Sleeves, blue Breeches, a Pair of ribb'd Worsted Stockings, and two Pair of Yarn Stockings, a Felt Hat, a Holland Shirt ruffled at the Bosom, a Country coarse Jacket without Sleeves or Buttons. He has got his Indenture with him, and it is very probable has wrote a Discharge on the Back of it.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so as his Master may get him again, shall have One Pistole Reward, besides what the Law allows, and reasonable Charges, paid by

Moses Lecompte, junior.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living near *Joppa*, on the 11th of this Inst. *March*, the two following Servant Men, *viz.*

Nathaniel Nichols, an *Irishman*, of a middle Size, about 5 Feet high, wears his own Hair, talks much, and pretends to be a Barber: Had on, and took with him, when he went away, a Cotton Waistcoat, Country Cloth Breeches, two Osnabrigs Shirts, and one Check One, two Pair of Yarn Stockings, Country made Shoes, and a Felt Hat.

John Henry, a *Welchman*, talks much, and is about 4 Feet and a Half high: Had on when he went away a brown Wig, an old Hat, an Osnabrigs Shirt, a Country Cloth Jacket, a Pair of Cotton Breeches, Sailor's Trowsers, Yarn Stockings, and a Pair of Negro Shoes.

Whoever takes up the said Servants, and secures them, so that they may be had again, shall have FIVE POUNDS Reward.

George Presbury.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,

GOOD *West India* Rum, *Muscovado* Sugar, Melasses, Coffee, Sash Glass, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glass, Linseed Oil, White Lead, and sundry dry Goods, for Cash, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Pease, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

Patrick Creagh.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,

FOUR Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in *Calvert* County, about four Miles below *Lower Marlborough*, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved.

The Terms may be known by applying to

Francis Chew.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of the Rev. Mr. *John Lang*, late of *St. James's* Parish in *Anne-Arundel* County, deceased; and all those indebted to the Estate of Mrs. *Margaret Lang* (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. *Lang*), deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment to the Subscriber, to prevent Trouble: And all those who have any legal Claims on either of the said Estates, are desired to bring them in to,

James Anderson, Executor to Mrs. *Margaret Lang.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Joshua Bond*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Mare, with a Blaze down her Face, and her near hind Foot white.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *William Herbert*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Horse, not branded, but has a small Star in his Forehead, and his hind Feet are white.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of *Solomon Turner*, living on *Bennit's* Creek in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Gelding, branded on the off Shoulder and Buttock with TH (Bottom upwards, join'd in one), has a narrow Blaze in his Face, and a bob Tail; and had on a small Bell.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On the 3d Day of the Provincial Court, being the 23d Day of May,

THE Dwelling-House and Lot where *Robert Gordon*, Esq; lately deceased, lived; as also the House where Mr. *William Thornton* now lives, and the Warehouses adjoining, with all the Improvements on the said Lot, for Sterling or Currency, by

Agnes Gordon, Administratrix.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *William Hillary* in *Prince George's* County, near *Bladensburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, branded with a Heart on her near Shoulder, about 12 Hands and a half high: She has a Colt with her about 8 Months old.

The Owner may have them again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mrs. *Priscilla Woodward*, near the Head of *South* River, in *Anne-Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, has no perceivable Brand, but has two white Spots on the off Side of his Back, and another white Spot on his Neck near his Withers, and a bushy Tail.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Baltimore County, *Feb.* 18, 1754.

WHEREAS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Esq; of *Philadelphia*, has constituted me his Attorney in Fact, for the Western Shore of this Province, for transacting his Affairs: This is therefore to require all Persons indebted to him, on this Side of the Bay, to make speedy Payment of their respective Debts, else they must expect Trouble, from

Their humble Servant,

William Young

THE Managers of the *Baltimore* LOTTERY, hereby give Notice, That they will certainly draw it, on Tuesday the 30th of *April* ensuing.

N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold at the POST OFFICE in *Annapolis.*

ANDREW BUCHANAN,

PERUKE-MAKER,

HAVING lately purchased a large Quantity of all Sorts of the best of *English* HAIRS, will make WIGS of all Fashions, from One Guinea to Four Guineas Price. And any Gentlemen who are pleased to favour him with their Custom, may depend on being served with Fidelity and Care, by

Their humble Servant,

Andrew Buchanan.

N. B. Any Wig Makers may be supplied with Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the said *Buchanan*, at a very reasonable Price.

JUST PUBLISHED,

(Containing 84 Pages in Folio),

And to be Sold by the Printer hereof,

THE LAWS made at the last Session of Assembly.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Henry Owings*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as Strays, the three following Creatures, *viz.*

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on one of her Buttocks with an I.

A Brown Bay Mare, branded on her near Buttock thus ( ) has some Saddle Spots on each Side of her Back, a long Switch Tail, and is a natural Pacer.

And a Brown Bay Mare, branded on both her Buttocks with a Horse Shoe, and has had some Pieces cut out of her right Ear.

The Owner or Owners may have them again, no proving Property, and paying Charges.

To be Sold, for ready Money, or short Credit,

THREE Lots of Ground, lying in *Annapolis*, and at present in the Possession of Mr. *Richard Burdus*, with the Dwelling House and Out Houses, and all the other Improvements, such as Paling, Fencing, *&c.* which at present are in good Repair.

For Title and Price apply to

Robert Swan.

N. B. The Houses and Lots being formerly leased out at Twenty five Pounds *per Annum*, there are six Years of which yet to come.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subscriber will give constant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wednesday and Thursday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all such Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

Their humble Servant,

Nathan Hammond, Sheriff of *Anne Arundel* County.

INSPECTORS, who are not yet supplied with Books and Notes for the present Year, may be supplied with any Quantities on Application to

Jonas Green.

A SCHEME of a small LOTTERY;
For raising the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at *Baltimore Town.*

Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1 first drawn				7
1 last drawn				7
708 Prizes,				3010
1042 Blanks,				
1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are				3500
			For the public Wharf	490

By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increased within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wishers to the Prosperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is suppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very short Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A List of the Prizes will be published in the *Maryland* Gazette, as soon as the Drawing is compleated.

The following Persons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Trust, *viz.* Messrs. *John Stevenson, Richard Chase, John Moale, Charles Croxall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Ruxton Gay, William Lux*, and *Brian Philpot*, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in *Annapolis.*

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